

(In millions of dollars)

	FY 2005 estimate	FY 2006 request	Com- mittee mark
Total	16,413	18,394	18,394

¹ The administration requested \$3.16 billion for international HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria programs in FY2006, a 9 percent increase over the estimated amount to be provided in FY2005. The request included \$2.564 billion to be appropriated through the Foreign Operations appropriations and \$596 million through appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health and Human Services.

This bill authorizes part of this request through the Child Survival and Health (CSH) account which includes the President's request of \$439 million for HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria programs. The authorized amount for the CSH account also includes \$100 million for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria. (The President requested \$300 million to be appropriated for contributions to the Global Fund; the other \$200 million is divided between the Global HIV/AIDS Initiative (\$100 million) and NIH/HHS (\$100 million). The GHA account, for which the President requested \$1.87 billion, is not authorized in this bill because it is already authorized in the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of 2003 (P.L. 108-25).

TRIBUTE TO AMERICA'S HEROES OF THE STORM

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, throughout the week of April 10, 2005, The Weather Channel, based in Atlanta, GA, will air a special series, entitled *Heroes of the Storm*, honoring the Americans who performed the most exciting rescues depicted in the network's acclaimed series *Storm Stories*. Featured in the tribute will be 28 heroes from 15 States and the District of Columbia. These heroes, like all who risk their lives for others, deserve our Nation's admiration, recognition and thanks. I ask unanimous consent that the following list of heroes be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

Mary Teresa Bagshaw, Nurse, Crawford, Colorado.

Richard Lee Fowler, Pilot, Longmont, Colorado.

Dawud Amin, Firefighter, New Haven, Connecticut.

Capt. Howard McCann, Firefighter, Madison, Connecticut.

Brian Wetzler, US Coast Guard Pilot, Washington, District of Columbia

Bradley Paul Brown, Paramedic (Retired), Mt. Dora, Florida.

Alan Auricchio, US Coast Guard, Penbroke, Maine.

Bart Cohey, Firefighter, Cordova, Maryland.

Melvin Lee Johnson, US Naval Reserves, Baltimore, Maryland.

Robert Sebeck, Firefighter, Abingdon, Maryland.

Petersen Niles Decker, US Naval Reserves, Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

Orlin Anderson, Firefighter, Karlstad, Minnesota.

Gary Wayne Casper, Las Vegas PD, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Clint Malburg, Las Vegas PD, Las Vegas, Nevada.

James T. Mitchell, Las Vegas PD, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

Richard G. Servoss, Las Vegas PD, Las Vegas, Nevada.

George Marinkov, US Coast Guard, Linwood, New Jersey.

Warren Scott Adams, US Coast Guard, Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

Lt Cmdr Joseph Edward Deer III, US Coast Guard, Camden, North Carolina.

Jeffrey D. Kotson, US Coast Guard, Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

Peter O'Neill, Deputy Fire Chief, Grand Forks, North Dakota.

William Bloom, Volunteer Ski Patrol (Retired), Sprague River, Oregon.

Randy Benham, Park Ranger, Grants Pass, Oregon.

Jim Allday, EMS, Austin, Texas.

Thomas Stephan Lott, Jr., Firefighter, Round Rock, Texas.

Trevor Joseph Stokes, Firefighter, Georgetown, Texas.

Tim Wallace, Firefighter, Round Rock, Texas.

Philip Joseph Ornot, Jr., US Coast Guard, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RETIREMENT OF CAROL DIBATTISTE

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to extend my best wishes to Carol DiBattiste, whose last day as deputy administrator of the Transportation Security Administration was April 8, 2005. Carol DiBattiste is truly a living textbook version of a "public servant." Her record is one of service to country, of a strong leader who gives unstintingly of herself to make sure that America's defenses against terrorism are as strong as possible. I know that Carol's dedication to this mission and strong leadership will be sorely missed by her colleagues at TSA and the Department of Homeland Security.

Ms. DiBattiste arrived at TSA in March of 2003 after more than 33 years of public service and two years at a private law firm. As the new Chief of Staff at TSA, she brought with her a sense of urgency that fit well in an agency committed to the security of the Nation's transportation system. Ms. DiBattiste immediately put her unique experience and skills to work as a member of the TSA leadership team as it rushed to meet its mission.

Hard work has characterized Ms. DiBattiste's public career. She enlisted in the Air Force in 1971, earned her B.A. degree magna cum laude in sociology/criminal justice from LaSalle University in 1976, her J.D. degree from Temple University School of Law in 1981, and her Master of Laws degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1986.

Before retiring from the Air Force as a major in 1991, her assignments included serving as chief prosecutor for the Pacific Region, faculty of the Air Force Judge Advocate General School, and chief recruiting attorney for the Air Force. Going forward, Ms. DiBattiste's career took her to the Department of Justice where she was an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida and director of the Department's Office of Legal Education. In 1993, Ms. DiBattiste served with the Department of the Navy, where she was principal deputy general counsel, the service's

second-highest ranking lawyer. In that role, she was responsible for resolving several high-profile matters, including the sexual harassment scandal dubbed "Tailhook" and the U.S. Naval Academy cheating case.

In 1994, Ms. DiBattiste returned to the Department of Justice as the director of the Executive Office for United States Attorneys. In that capacity, she was instrumental in investigating the Oklahoma City Bombing, Unabomber, Olympic Park Bombing and TWA 800 airliner crash. Between 1997 and 1999, she served with distinction as Deputy United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida. In 1999, Ms. DiBattiste accepted the nomination of former President Clinton and served as Under Secretary of the Air Force where, among other duties, she chaired a task force that brokered an anti-harassment action plan for the Department of Defense. Prior to joining TSA, Ms. DiBattiste was a partner at Holland & Knight LLP, where her practice areas involved corporate diversity counseling, government relations, and criminal and civil litigation.

Last July, TSA Chief of Staff DiBattiste became Deputy Administrator DiBattiste, a move that again recognized her many talents and leadership abilities. Deputy Administrator DiBattiste and Administrator David Stone have spearheaded the efforts to make TSA a strong and mature performance based Federal agency. But even more importantly, Ms. DiBattiste made it her mission at TSA to continuously recruit new leaders and make sure that every TSA employee—from the screeners to the executive team—understood their role in securing our Nation. Finally, Carol made sure that each of those employees understood that: they were valued, their opinions mattered, and that what they were doing was important, even vital to achieving TSA's mission. For that, we all owe Deputy Administrator DiBattiste a great deal of gratitude.

It is instructive to read what some of her friends and colleagues at TSA have to say about Ms. DiBattiste. From Tom Blank, the Chief Support Systems Officer: "Many times the sky was actually falling and when it was, Carol was in charge of getting it put back up there again—all the while with the greatest sense of humor there is." From Theresa Bertucci, Assistant Administrator for Intermodal Programs: "She always pushed the entire organization towards a level of excellence and commitment, and never asked more of any person that worked alongside her than she asked of herself." And addressing Ms. DiBattiste, Tammy M. Meckley, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Transportation Security Policy, said: "Leadership is what every employee craves, thanks for keeping all of us well fed."

In an interview with TSA's newsletter, the Sentinel, Ms. DiBattiste